

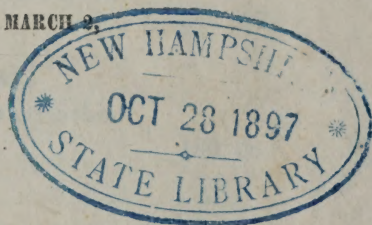
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REPORT
OF THE
RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES
OF THE
TOWN OF CANDIA, N. H.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 2,

1868:



TOGETHER WITH A REPORT OF THE

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

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EXPENDITURES.

State Tax.

Paid Peter Sanborn, State Treasurer, State Tax, \$2056 25

County Tax.

Paid George W. Lawrence, County Treasurer,
county tax, 744 45

School House Tax.

Paid Alexander Gilchrist, for Repairs on School
House in District No. 9, 100 00

Abatements.

Paid Jona. C. Hobbs, for loss of a horse,	84
Ingalls Bunker, " " " cow,	1 00
Moses F. Emerson, for taxes in 1866,	8 30
Nathan Pulcifer, overtaxed,	7 80
Edward W. Hall, "	2 10
Abraham S. Sanborn, for loss of a horse,	2 10
George W. Robinson, dog tax,	1 00
Freeman Parker, loss of an ox,	1 57
Benjamin Taylor, overtaxed,	3 15
Joseph Bean, "	2 00
Robert Clark, "	2 10
Jonathan Currier, loss of a steer,	63
Moses F. Emerson, for taxes in 1866,	32 87

Geo. W. Smith, dog tax,	1 00
Rufus Ward, loss of a cow and dog tax,	1 52
Daniel Brown, dog tax,	1 00
John Robie, for loss of a steer,	63

Hiram C. Matthews, the following taxes:

Bernard Dion, poll tax,	5 04
John Clark, " "	5 04
Josiah B. Moore, overtaxed,	9 03
William E. Hill, poll tax,	5 04
James Clark, " "	5 04
Non-resident taxes,	23 74

122 54

School Money.

Paid David Patten, for District No. 1,	202 67
John W. Caswell, " 2,	115 87
Edward D. Smith, " 3,	151 84
Aaron F. Patten, " 4,	126 03
Levi J. Robie, " 5,	75 65
Abraham S. Sanborn, " 6,	106 27
William B. Thorn, " 7,	94 89
Frederic Clay, " 8,	101 72
John H. Nutting, " 9,	186 36
John W. Critchett, " 10,	116 61
Thomas H. Clifford, " 11,	70 27
Asa F. Dearborn, " 12,	77 65
Munroe Stevens, " 13,	76 04
Josiah Richardson, " 14,	53 89
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	1555 76

Town Debt.

Paid sundry notes against the town,	15,035 93
Interest on the same, (in part,)	2,066 21
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	17,102 14

Roads and Bridges.

Paid Jona. Shaw, for work on bridge in Dist. No. 3,	6 00
Josiah M. Fitts, for work “	3 00
J. C. Langford, for 3 days work on bridges,	4 50
David E. Brown, for plank and work on bridges,	6 50
David E. Brown, for plank for bridge in Dist. No. 5,	8 52
Sewall C. Brown, for plank and work on bridge in Dist. No. 13,	24 75
Benj. P. Sanborn, for work on highway in Dist. No. 2,	14 75
Asa F. Dearborn, for work on highway in Dist. No. 19,	7 50
J. Lane Fitts, for work on highway in Dist. No. 8,	10 65
John Rowe, for plank for bridge in Dist. No. 3,	10 45
Dav. L. Magoon, for railing for bridge on Bean's Island,	7 88
Samuel A. Davis, for work on bridge in Dist. No. 8,	11 25
Moses F. Emerson, for breaking road in Dist. No. 8,	2 00
James Adams, for powder and work on road in Dist. 4,	8 15
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	125 90

Town Farm Expenses.

Paid Joseph M. Young, as keeper of the Almshouse, one month's salary,	19 00
Joseph M. Young, 11 months' salary,	206 00
Alvin D. Dudley, for supplies for Almshouse,	84 01
Jacob L. Barker & Co. “ “ “	63 10
Woodbury I. Dudley, “ “ “	75 46
William S. Healy, for blacksmith's work for do.	11 10
Alexander Gilchrist, for coffin for William Clark,	6 00
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	464 67

Poor away from the Farm.

Paid New Durham for support of Lettie Edgerly,	52 00
For goods and cash furnished B. F. Evans,	4 00
George W. Robinson, for keeping transient paupers,	6 00
Doct. True M. Gould, for medical attendance on George W. Griffin,	6 00
Doct. J. Francis Brown, for amputation and medical attendance on Geo. W. Griffin,	107 50
Philbrick & Lang, supplies for Geo. W. Griffin,	10 00
J. C. Wheeler, for express business,	4 87
Joseph Hubbard, for supplies for Mercy Brown,	69 95
Jacob L. Barker, for do. and clothing for do.	18 05
Doct. Richard H. Page, for medical attendance on county paupers,	34 44
J. Lane Fitts, keeping transient paupers,	1 25
John B. Neal, supplies for Willey family,	61 00
Doct. Edgar L. Carr, medical attendance on do.	21 00
Doct. Hanson C. Canney " " "	26 00
George W. Seavey, keeping transient paupers,	3 00
J. C. Langford, " " "	2 25
Jona. G. Smith, 2 cords wood for Polly Edgerly,	8 00
Philbrick & Lang, supplies for Hartford family,	21 47
Doct. Richard H. Page, medical attendance on do.	4 17
William Crane, supplies for Sally Baker,	3 85
Doct. Richard H. Page, medical attendance on do.	9 72
John McDuffie, sawing wood for Willey family,	3 00
Doct. Richard H. Page, medical attendance on town paupers,	3 00
John G. Martin, supplies for John Finn,	9 90
Alexander Gilchrist, coffin for R. W. Willey,	6 00
Philbrick & Lang, supplies for Willey family,	83 65
Jacob L. Barker & Co. supplies for Hartford family,	66 14
John B. Neal, supplies for do.	13 00

Philbrick & Lang, supplies for F. B. Evans,	5 44
Jesse W. Sargent & Co. supplies for Hartford family,	9 26
Luther M. Pattee, medical attendance on R.M. Willey,	6 50
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	680 41

Non-Resident Highway Taxes Worked Out.

Leonard Dearborn,	2 00
William Crawford,	7 50
Parker Morrill,	3 50
Dunlap & Houston,	10 80
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	23 80

Miscellaneous Expenses.

Paid J. H. Foster, for stationery,	6 87
Expenses taking Inventory,	6 00
Daniel F. Emerson, work on vestry,	1 00
Moses Varnum, furnishing pound,	5 00
Eunice Harrison, sheep killed by dogs,	7 00
J. H. Nutting, insuring town building,	1 86
Expenses perambulating town lines,	10 17
John Smith, committing James G. Burnham to the	
House of Reformation,	4 00
E. Q. Knowles, repairs on hearse house,	2 05
Dana Rowe, damage done wagon,	7 50
House of Reformation, James G. Burnham, board,	5 75
Rev. Laurin Armsby, services as Superintending	
School Committee,	35 00
French Smith, repairing watering trough & gutters	3 00
E. Q. Knowles, ringing the bell,	45 00
William G. Fitts, award for land taken for highway	
and for fencing,	50 00
Hazen L. McDuffie, for notifying W. W. Gould to	
attend a hearing on location of school house	
lot in District No. 14,	2 60

Jacob L. Barker & Co. stationery,	42
Philbrick & Lang, do.	2 44
J. C. Langford, do.	2 15
William H. Healy, repairing grave tools,	1 20
Expense of hiring and paying money out of town,	12 10
Joseph C. Langford, services as Selectman,	50 00
" " " " as Town Treasurer,	50 00
Locating School House in Dist. No. 14,	1 00
Taking Inventory and making School House tax in District No. 6,	3 00
One half day on High Street laying out road,	1 00
One day at Concord and expenses to settle with State Treasurer,	4 00
Six days perambulating town lines & use of horse,	15 00
One half day at Raymond on town business,	1 00
Assessing tax in District No. 9,	1 00
Arranging town accounts for publication,	4 00
1 day at Portsmouth, to procure town accounts,	4 00
J. Lane Fitts, services as Selectman,	50 00
Taking affidavits to get paupers on the county,	3 00
Attending hearing and locating School House lot in District No. 14,	1 00
Assessing tax in District No. 9,	1 00
Taking inventory and assessing tax in Dist. No. 6,	2 00
Journey to Allenstown on road business,	2 00
Journey to Portsmouth to get county pauper money,	4 00
Journey to Hooksett on town business,	2 00
Journey to Deerfield on pauper business,	2 00
Expense of certificate from Hooksett, and stamps,	64
One day at town farm,	1 00
5 1-2 days surveying town lines,	13 75
Preparing town accounts for publication,	2 00

George W. Seavey, services as Selectman,	50 00
Journey to New Durham, and Expenses,	10 00
Use of horse in taking Inventory,	5 00
Trip to Manchester en Town business,	2 50
One half day locating School House in Dist. No. 14,	1 00
Trip to Manchester on Town business,	2 50
One half day making school house tax in No. 6,	1 00
One half day at Candia Village,	1 00
One half day laying out road from High Street to Morrill Road,	1 00
Six days perambulating town lines,	12 00
Gilman C. Lang, services as town clerk, stationery and stamps,	30 00
Room, board and lights, for the Selectmen,	12 00
Hiram C. Matthews, collecting town tax,	43 00
School house taxes in Districts No. 9 and 6,	10 00
Auditors services,	4 50
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Expenditures.

Paid Peter Sanborn, State tax,	2056 25
George W. Lawrence, county tax,	744 45
Alexander Gilchrist, school house tax,	100 00
Abatements,	122 54
School money,	1555 76
On the town debt,	15035 19
Interest on the debt, (in part,)	2066 21
Roads and bridges,	125 90
Town Farm Expenses,	464 67
Poor away from the farm,	680 41
Non resident highway taxes worked out,	23 80
Miscellaneous Expenses,	614 82
Balance in the treasury,	2878 11
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Receipts.

Balance in the Treasury last year,	2288 34
Received of Joseph Young, overseer of the Poor Farm,	50 53
B. F. Evans, supplies furnished him last year,	17 50
Of the county for support of county paupers,	663 99
Of the State for tax on Savings Banks,	469 10
For Railroad tax,	167 01
Literary fund,	59 85
U. S. Bounty,	240 00
Of Auburn, for support of ———	25 04
Money hired for the town,	15,287 49
Received of Hiram C. Matthews, collector,	7,200 00
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	26468 85

JOSEPH C. LANGFORD,

J. LANE FITTS,

Selectmen of Candia.

CANDIA, MARCH 2, 1868.—This day examined the Selectmen's Accounts for the year past and find them correctly cast, with proper vouchers for the same.

GEORGE F. PATTEN,

JOHN ROWE,

J. C. HOBBS,

Auditors.

Cash received for tax on dogs,	173 00
1867 Bal. on hand cash for tax assessed on dogs, '68,	60 00
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	233 00
Paid Eunice Hanscom, sheep killed,	7 00
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1868 Balance on hand,	226 00

Town Debt.

Amount of notes against the town,	46,987 22
Interest on the same,	3,165 57
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	50,152 79
The outstanding bills, (estimated,)	175 00
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	50,327 79

Assets.

Cash in the Treasury, in hands of Hiram	
C. Matthews, Collector,	2878 11
Outstanding taxes,	4768 94
Town Farm,	3000 00
Property on the Farm,	1282 66
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	8,929 71
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Debt, less assets,	41,398 08

Invoice of Property at Town Farm.

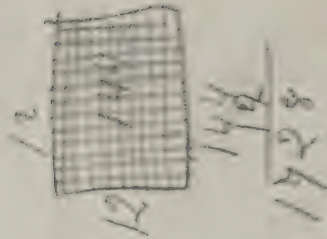
1 Yoke Oxen	200 00
4 Cows	210 00
3 Yearlings	70 00
2 Calves & 1 Sheep	40 00
1 Horse	70 00
2 Shoats	18 50
4 1-2 Tens Eng. Hay	90 00
3 1-2 Meadow "	42 00
40 Bushels Corn	60 00
100 Bushels Potatoes	100 00
16 Bushels Oats	12 80
8 1-2 Bushels Beans	34 00
3 1-2 Bushels Barley	3 50
1 Bushel Buck Wheat	1 00
1 Peck Peas	1 00
1 Barrel Apples	4 00
4 Barrels Cider	28 00
1-2 Barrel Vinegar	3 50
25 lbs Dried Apples	3 50
280 lbs Pork	46 66
1 Barrel Beef, 200 lbs.	24 00
40 lbs. Ham	6 40
30 lbs. Butter	12 00
40 lbs. Lard	6 40
150 lbs. Flour	10 00
12 doz. Candles	2 40
Beds and Bedding	50 00
Household Furniture	36 00
Crockery Ware	5 00
Tin Ware	5 00
Farming Utensils	87 00

 1282 66

Number of Poor on the Farm, 8.

We the undersigned Selectmen of Candia appraised the property on the Town Farm on the 18th day of February, 1868 as above stated. The stock is in good condition and all the farming utensils in their proper places; and judging from the appearance of the barn and out buildings, everything has been taken good care of. Everything in the house was in its proper place, neat and clean; and the poor were as comfortable as circumstances would permit. We think the house is too small, and would recommend that an addition be made to it. Much praise is due to Mr. and Mrs. Young for the care and ability with which they have managed.

JOSEPH C. LANGFORD,
J. LANE FITTS,
Selectmen of Candia.



SCHOOL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OF CANDIA,

For the Year ending March 2, 1868.

IN the Revised Statutes of the State of New Hampshire, chap. 73, sec. 14, we find recorded the following law :

“The Superintending School Committee shall make out annually a report, and present the same to the town at its annual meeting, stating the number of weeks which the public schools have been kept in each District in summer and in winter, and what portion thereof has been kept by male, and what portion by female teachers; the whole number of scholars that have attended each school; the progress made in each school in the various branches of learning; the number of children between the ages of four and fourteen years in each district who have not attended school therein; and the number of persons in each district between the ages of fourteen and twenty-one years who cannot read and write, with such suggestions as may be useful upon the management of schools, and the subject of education.”

In compliance with this law, your Committee submit the following report of the schools in Candia, for the year ending March, 1868.

In District No. 1, the school continued twenty-six weeks,—(last year twenty-one weeks)—nineteen of which were taught by Miss Annie M. Green, the very acceptable and efficient teacher of the winter term in '67.

Although there was a vacation of over a month in the summer, it was thought best to regard the six months of school as a single term, and have only one public examination. At the end of nineteen weeks, however, very much to the regret of all concerned, Miss Green was obliged to give up teaching on account of failing health.

This prevented the examination, which we have no doubt would have reflected great credit both on the teacher and scholars.

For the remaining seven weeks, the District were so fortunate as to secure the services of Miss Sadie C. Turner, an experienced and successful teacher. The school appeared well at its close.

In District No. 2, the summer school of nine weeks was taught by Miss Lydia S. Batchelder. In the register kept by her, in answer to the question "How many months of school has the teacher taught before this term?" she has put down "one hundred." She is a faithful, conscientious teacher.

The winter term in this District, continuing ten weeks, was taught by Miss Kesia C. Bickford.

She came with the prestige of past success, and evidently endeavored to be unusually thorough. Perhaps she tried too hard; for it is possible to overdo the thing in teaching, as in every thing else. It is hard forcing lessons into re-

luctant brains. There was a little more than the usual amount of friction between pupils and teacher in this school, and yet it was on the whole a pretty good one. In District No. 2, there were two weeks more schooling this year, than last.

In District No. 3, the summer school of ten weeks was taught by Miss Lizzie S. Pickering. She was quite young and without experience in teaching; but her determination to have a superior school was very strong. She had more faith in physical force than is common in these days of moral suasion. As the scholars seemed to her rather dull, she attempted to spur them on, as we do a dull horse, by the lash. This was not agreeable either to the children or to their fathers and mothers, and the scholars dropped off one after the other. At the close, only seven pupils were present. The proficiency shown by these, however, was really surprising. Your committee had not supposed there was so much virtue in the rod. If the teacher could have secured the same progress in some gentler way, she would have deserved a great deal of credit.

The winter term continuing only six weeks was taught by Mr. Curtis B. Childs, the only male teacher employed in our schools during the last year. The school was too short to admit of reviewing the studies, which rendered the final examination less satisfactory than otherwise it would have been. If the term had been three months in length, the advancement and thoroughness of the scholars would have been marked. Mr. Childs was very well liked by his pupils, and by the district in general. Last year

here were seventeen and a half weeks schooling in No. 3. This year only sixteen weeks.

In District No. 4, both terms, amounting to twenty-two weeks,—one week and a half more than last year,—were taught by Miss F. Frances Adams. She had never taught before, but succeeded to an uncommon degree in securing the approval of all the district, together with the affection and improvement of her pupils. As usual, however, this was the result of hard labor. She gave herself to her duties with a somewhat rare devotion.

In District No. 5, the summer school of ten weeks was taught by Miss Fannie J. Edgerly. On account of sickness, she was obliged to close her school the day before the one set for the final examination; and your Committee, therefore, had not the opportunity of judging what progress was made. From the satisfaction given the year before it is to be presumed it was commendable.

The winter term of six weeks was taught by Miss Georgia O. Healey. The whole number of scholars, (twenty) was unusually large for this district, and the teacher was somewhat annoyed by a little insubordination on the part of one or two. In general, however, this seems to have been a harmonious and prosperous school.

Last year, there were eleven weeks of schooling in No. 5; this year sixteen weeks.

In District No. 6, the summer school, seventeen weeks in length, was taught by Miss Emma O. Tennant. She had

never taught before, but did very well indeed. She had a quiet manner, without the least display, but was thorough and efficient. Experience in school teaching, as in every other pursuit must be very valuable. Still, fresh teachers are often so successful, as to remind us of the adage, "new brooms sweep clean." New brooms are worth more than old ones; sometimes new teachers are. They are apt to have more enthusiasm, and a stronger desire to do well. Some say, too, that veteran teachers are wont to have their tempers a little soured by their calling. This vocation is doubtless, very trying to the nerves.

The winter term of eleven weeks was taught by Miss Clara A. Simpson. Her literary qualifications were superior, and she showed herself well fitted in all respects for her work. There were some remarkable exhibitions of memory on the part of two or three scholars, at the closing examination.

Last year, there were fourteen and a half weeks schooling in this district; this year twenty-eight weeks.

Both terms in District No. 7 were taught by Miss Mary H. Batchelder, with encouraging success. The Scriptures say, that "evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse." This seems to be true also of bad school houses. The school house in this district last year was bad enough; this year it is worse. There were sixteen weeks of schooling in No. 7, last year, seventeen and a half, this.

In District No. 8, the summer term of twelve weeks was taught by Miss Oryntha S. Emerson. She evidently tried hard to teach a good school, and succeeded very well.

The winter term of sixteen weeks was commenced by Miss M. L. and completed by Miss S. R. Libbey. The school made a good appearance at its close. The schools in this district last year, continued eighteen weeks; this year, twenty-eight.

In District No. 9, the summer term of twelve weeks was taught by Miss Hattie A. Rand. In the remarks appended to the register of this school, the teacher commends the general deportment, diligence and progress of the scholars; but adds, "the progress of the whole school has been much retarded by a great lack of punctuality on the part of almost every scholar." She also says, "many of the children would strive more earnestly to excel, if their parents would make their visits therein, [the school room] less like those of angels, "few and far between."

The winter term of sixteen weeks was taught by Miss Martha J. Boyce, to the general satisfaction of all concerned. Perhaps the scholars were somewhat worn out by the length of the school, for at its close, they were deficient in that life and energy which were the marked characteristics of the teacher.

Last year, the schools in this district continued twenty-one weeks; this year, twenty-eight weeks.

In District No. 10, both schools were taught by Miss Lizzie A. Richardson.

The summer school was very small, and very naturally, some lack of life was apparent at its ending. It is difficult to awaken much enthusiasm in a school of few scholars.

The winter school was larger and better. The teacher has not had much experience, but has made marked improvement since she commenced teaching.

In district No 11, the two schools had four teachers. The first teacher of the summer school, after eight weeks, gave way to another, on account of failing health. The first teacher of the winter school left before its close, to fill a more desirable position.

Such changes are exceedingly undesirable, and could hardly fail to be injurious in their influence.

Last year, the schools in this district continued seventeen weeks; this year twenty-two weeks.

District No. 12 was fortunate in securing the same teacher, and an excellent one, for both terms. It is somewhat uncommon for a teacher to labor so earnestly, wisely, and successfully, as Miss Mary J. Healey did in these schools. The closing examinations were full of life and interest.

Last year, there were thirteen weeks and a half of schooling in this district; this year fifteen weeks.

In district No. 13, there was only one school, which was taught by Miss Ella H. Brown. The closing examination was very interesting and gratifying to your Committee. This was Miss Brown's first school, and it was an excellent beginning.

Last year in this district, there was a term of nine weeks; this year a term of fifteen weeks.

In district No. 14, the summer school of ten weeks was taught by Miss Mary P. H. Tenney.

The whole number of scholars was six. The average attendance, five and a fraction. How could an instructor make much out of such a school as that, unless the scholars were very extraordinary indeed. No. 14 is a standing monument of the extreme folly of quarrelling in school districts. May all other districts be wise enough to take warning.

The winter school of ten weeks was taught by Miss Lenora F. Bartlett. By bringing in four scholars from other districts, the number in this school was raised to thirteen. The average attendance was ten and a half. The appearance of the school was creditable at its ending.

The schooling in this district last year, was nineteen weeks; this year, twenty weeks.

Probably many teachers will read this report; and a few words of counsel to them may not be out of place. "Magnify your office." Esteem your position, as in truth it is, a very important and responsible one. Take special pains to fit yourselves for the work, and be particularly careful not to teach your Scholars error. Have a good dictionary, and faithfully consult it. Gross errors in pronunciation and grammar are inexcusable in you. See that your registers are accurately and completely filled up, and handed to the Superintendent as soon as your schools close. Registers that are only half filled and are generally untrustworthy, and registers that must be hunted up in different parts of the town, subject the temper of the Superintending com-

mittee to a strain, which it is a positive cruelty to inflict upon any human being.

TABULAR STATEMENT.

Whole number of Scholars, 433.	Last year,	399.
Length of schools in weeks, 296 1-2	"	231.
Number of male teachers, 1.	"	0.
Number of female teachers, 25.	"	21.
Av. wages male teachers, [per month,] \$47.	"	0.
Average wages of female teachers, \$20 1-7.	"	19 1-14.
Number between 4 and 14 not attending school, in No. 3, 3.		
No. 7, 1. No. 10, 3. In all, 7.		

Let us think much, and make much of our common schools. For the majority of our children, they take the place of high school, academy, seminary, college, and university. We ought to select men of the largest discretion, and who feel the deepest interest in education, for prudential committees. We ought to use great care in the selection of teachers, and then give them our sympathy and hearty support. We ought also to make liberal appropriations of money, for school purposes. Last spring the town voted to raise fifteen hundred dollars for schools,—an increase of five hundred dollars.

The town debt is so large and the taxes are so high, that it is possible some will think a less sum should be raised for schools the coming year. But it does not appear to your committee, that this is the place for retrenchment. The average amount of schooling for each district, the past year, has been only twenty-one weeks and one-seventh. Is that too much or too little? We ought to practice a

wise economy. But there is an economy which is suicidal. The Farmer who starves his land, and starves his cattle; the man who starves his body, and the citizens who starve the minds of the children, for the sake of saving money, Solomon in his plain way, would pronounce fools. And although it may sound uncivil to our modern ears, it is doubtless just the right word.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

LAUREN ARMSBY,
Superintending School Committee.